



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:)
MORIN ET AL.)
Serial No. **10/701,165**) Examiner: **S. GEBREMARIAM**
Confirmation No. **5541**) Art Unit: **2811**
Filing Date: **November 4, 2003**)
For: **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH MOS**)
TRANSISTORS WITH AN ETCH-STOP LAYER)
HAVING AN IMPROVED RESIDUAL STRESS)
LEVEL AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING)
SUCH A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant qualifies as a small entity under 37 CFR § 1.27.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| | (Col. 1) | (Col. 2) | (Col. 3) | SMALL ENTITY | | LARGE ENTITY | |
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| INDEPT CLAIMS | | 3 | | X100 | \$ | X200 | \$ |
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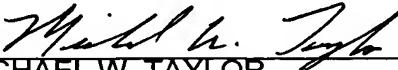
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Please associate this application with Customer No. **27975**.

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